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RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 5, 2006 subjecting Claims 1-33 to

Restriction in the above-identified patent application.

Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C 121 between the following groups of claims:

Group I: Claims 1-6, and 25-29 drawn to Oligonucleotides, and arrays and kits containing the Oligonucleotides, classified in class 536, subclass 23.1 and 24.3.

Group II: Claims 7-24, drawn to methods for evaluating methylation of a CpG island using the Oligonucleotides of Invention I, classified in class 435, subclass 702, subclass 6.

Group III: Claims 30-33, drawn to a computer comprising a computer readable medium comprising a program for analyzing data, classified in class 702, subclass 19.


Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the Group I set of claims (1-6 and 25-29) without traverse.

At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1078 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 50-1078 under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

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